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BOATER SAFETY COURSE

SUFFOLK, VA (April 3, 2012) The Suffolk Parks and Recreation Department will host a Boater Safety Course on Saturday, April 21, 2012, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Oakland Recreation Center, 5505 Godwin Boulevard.

Effective, July 1, 2012, all Personal Water Craft (PWV) operations, regardless of age, and motorboat operators 30 years of age and older will be required to have successfully completed an approved boating safety program. This course will be offered by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to meet the General Assembly's requirement. The class will include a 45-minute lunch break; however, lunch is not provided.

Pre-registration is required for this free course. Please register early as seating is limited.

For more information, contact JJ Stephens at Oakland Recreation Center, 757-514-7246.